

EXHIBIT A**List of Patents and Pending Patent Applications Naming Gregory L. Ruff as an Inventor**

1. US 5,342,376 – Inserting Device for a Barbed Tissue Connector
2. US 6,241,747 – Barbed Bodily Tissue Connector
3. US 6,599,310 – Suture Method
4. US 6,773,450 – Suture Anchor and Method
5. US 2005/0033367A1 – Suture Anchor and Method
6. US 2004/0088003A1 – Barbed Suture in Combination with Surgical Needle
7. US 2004/0030354A1 – Suture Anchor and Method
8. US 2003/0014077A1 – Suture Method
9. US 2004/0093028A1 – Barbed Bodily Tissue Connector
10. US 2004/0060410A1 – Barbed Sutures
11. US 2004/0060409A1 – Barb Configurations for Barbed Sutures
12. US 2003/0074023A1 – Suture Method

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